

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 5, 16-17, 29, and 31-32 are canceled without prejudice to pursue them in related continuation applications. Claims 2-4, 6-15, 18-28, 30, and 33-38 are currently pending in the application. Claims 2, 11-15, 18, 22-24, and 33 have been amended to depend on allowed
5 Claims 6 and 30. The amendment is made without acquiescence in the Examiner's reasons for rejection or prejudice to pursue the subject matter in a related application. No new matter has been added. The support of the amendment can be found in the claims and application. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner's allowance of Claims 6-9, 30 and 36-38. Accordingly,
10 Claims 2, 11-15, 18, 22-24, and 33 have been amended to depend on the allowed independent Claims 6 and 30. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 2-4, 6-15, 18-28, 30, and 33-38 are now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

15 All pending claims in the present application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

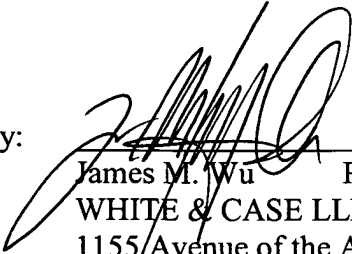
If there are any charges believed due concerning this response, please charge to White & Case LLP Deposit Account 23-1703. Applicants thank the Examiner for carefully examining the present application and if a telephone conference would facilitate the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Jim Wu at (650)213-0300.

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Respectfully submitted,

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